GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINES
LOK SABHA

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Grievance of Labourers
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Will the Minister of MINES be pleased to state:

(a) the number and nature of complaints/grievances received by the Government from the labourers employed in aluminium plants in the country especially Madhya Pradesh, Bihar and Rajasthan during the last three years;
(b) the present status of such complaints; and
(c) the steps taken by the Government for redressal of the same ?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) FOR POWER, COAL, NEW & RENEWABLE ENERGY AND MINES (SHRI PIYUSH GOYAL)

(a) to (c) The Aluminium Plant of National Aluminium Company Limited (NALCO), a CPSE, is located in the State of Odisha.

34 complaints and 44 grievances pertaining to internal issues of BALCO have been received during the last three years. BALCO was a Government company until 02.03.2001. Government of India holds 49% of the equity in BALCO and it is no longer a Government company. Hence, Government has no role in the day to day affairs of the company. Complaints and Grievances relating to BALCO are, therefore, forwarded to BALCO management for necessary action. Further, adequate safeguards have been provided in the share holding agreement for protecting the interests of the workers.

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